



DSHS...

Improves the quality of life for individuals and families in need.

Helps people achieve safe, self-sufficient, healthy, and secure lives.



DSHS needs your ideas!

Right now, more people need human services, but dollars are limited. The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) needs your ideas as we develop our strategic plan for the next six years.

1. Please give us one or two ideas about how DSHS can work better with our partners – communities, charities, helping agencies, faith-based organizations, and providers who also help people in need.

2. How can DSHS and our partners improve prevention to reduce future service demands?

3. Given that resources are limited, do you have suggestions about how we should prioritize our services to Washington residents?

4. Please tell us who you are (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> DSHS client - current or former | <input type="checkbox"/> Local government employee (city, county etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health or human service provider | <input type="checkbox"/> Advocate for DSHS clients |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family member of DSHS client(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Citizen interested in human services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health or human services planner/coordinator | <input type="checkbox"/> DSHS Employee |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
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Thank you for your ideas. They will help us as we plan. Please return your response to **Secretary Dennis Braddock, Department of Social and Health Services**, P.O Box 45010, Olympia, WA 98504-5010 as soon as possible, no later than **September 15, 2003**.

To learn more about DSHS' strategic planning process and the challenges facing DSHS, go to:

www.dshs.wa.gov/strategic